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WAR, EDWARD HOLLOWAY has been IVI appointed GENERAL AGENT of this Company in China and Inpan, succeeding Mr. GEORGE B DODWELL, who resigned to devote himself to the affairs of his Firm. Mr. HOLLOWAY has the Company's Power of Attorney to deal with their business affairs in Chins and Japan.

The Company's agencies in India, Australia and the Straits Settlements will be under his direct supervision. His Office will be in Hongkong.

T. G. SHAUGHNESSY, Vice-President. Hongkong, 16th December, 1801.

CANADIAN PARIFIC RAILWAY CO'S ROYAL-MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE, CHÍNA AND JAPÁN

TIME Company having decided to establish their own special Agencies in Hoveroug and Shanghal, and to appoint a GENERAL AGENT who shall devote his services exclusively to their business, our Mr. GEO. B. DODWELL has this day resigned his position as General Agent for China and Japan. It has been arranged that the Firm will continue to act as the Commercial Agents of the Company until January 15th

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

T. G. SHAUGHNESBY, Vice-President. Canadian Pacific Railway.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1801. NOTICE.

and the same of the MY Son, HENRY HUMPHREYS, was the ist day of July last. JNO. D. HUMPHREYS.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1891. THE Business beretofo'e cairled on under the name of INO, D. HUMPHREYS will

henceforth be conducted under the name of

John D. Humphreys & Son. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON. Hongkong, 12th December, 1891,

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TAI ON SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. U CHEUK TONG, have this day been

A . Appointed GENERAL MANAGER of the

above Company. U CHEUK TONG General Manager; Hongkong, 25th November, 1891.

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Oceanic (via Honolulu), Tuenday 16th Feb. THE Stermshin GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco vid Yokohama, on THURSDAY, thei grat 'inst. at I P.M. Connection being made at Yoko-

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land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers. Vi Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionales, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Service, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials, and days more Passengers by this line have the option of

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not abbly to through fares from China and

United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs. San Francisco. For further information as to Passage of

Freight, apply to the Agency, of the Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central. J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 9th December, 1801.

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG.

ChinaTuesday 12th Jan.

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THE U.S. Mall Steamship r CHINA " will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO. WA YOKOHAMA on TUESDAY, the 12th January, at I P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines Freight will be received on board until 4 7.14.

Government officials.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1891.

TELEGRAMS.

ONE POUND NOTE ISSUE. LONDON, December 18th. The Times urges in favour of deferring the issue of One Pound Notes till after the elections.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.'s ships Linnet and Archer arrived at Shanghal on the 16th inst. LATEST news from Japan is to the effect that

voilent shocks of earthquake have occurred at Nagoya and Hakone. THE General Worder was berthed at the Cosmopolitan and the Canton river boat Tal-on

at Aberdeen dock to-day. THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended December 20th. are:-Europeans, 18:; Chinese, 2,148; total

THE agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co. inform us that the "Ben" Line steamer Benvenue, from London, left Singapore for this

port yesterday. suicide the other day, owing, it is said, to remorse at having accepted a subsidy from the Japanese Government, the Tiyu being an opposition

THE Hubas reports that Mr. Chu, an expectant magistrate of Klangen and police magistrate of Manking, has been convicted of killing a prisoner by torture, and has now been taken to Soochow to undergo a final examination before the

Governor.

JAPANERE papers report that three disastrous typhoons have visited the Bonin Islands, levelling houses to the ground, causing great damage to the crops, and seriously injuring many of the inhabitants. All the lanks on the coast, except Cour, were entirely lost.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Officers' Mees to mor ow, commencing at o partition

THE U.S.S. Alert arrived here from Canton. and H.M.S. Plover salled for Swatow on

Saturday. THE resuscitated barque Cops City arrived safely at Shanghai from Yokohama on Wednesday last.

FROM the diary of theatrical critic: "Supped with Muriel Milligan, who is to play Jupiter in Prometheus up to Date. Menu written on back of £19-note; that's what I call tact | "

A REGULAR meeting of Zetland Lodge, No. \$25, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Monday, the 28th instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE Nippon Yussen Kaisha steamer Suruga Maru, which broke her propeller-shaft half way between Japan and China, has safely reached Yokohama in tow of the Kumamoto Maru. She will have to lie up, pending the arrival of a new shaft from Hongkoug.

A CELESTIAL named Yuan Helang-fu has published an exceedingly diverting and whimsical little book in London entitled "Those Foreign Devils." It's title is merely a "catch," and only a "catch," for its contents merely give the reader a view of European civilization as seen through Chinese spectacles. It does not "slate" us, and it is not an English edition of the shocking Hunan publications.

THE Shanghaf Mercury learns from the North that Sheng Taotal and Mr. Ma Kle-tcheong have been requested by Viceroy Li Hung-chang to pay, at once, all claims due to the China Merchants Company, in addition to claims that are due to other shipping companies by the China Merchants, on the amalgamation scheme. Our contemporary suggests that this no doubt inconvenient demand has something to do with Tcheong's reported illness.

THE Hiogo News, says that the Japanese authorities are putting so many difficulties in the path of foreign Christan teachers, "that it looks as if they aimed at exasperating the missionaries to make them leave the country." It can't be done. When the meck and lowly missionary once plants the foot of righteousness in an ungodly land overflowing with milk and honey, he means to stay. He wont accept notice to quit, direct or implied, legal or otherwise.

THE Taku correspondent of the Shanghai Mercury writes under date the 7th lostent :-There are no steamers inside except one of the "Pings'," I think the Yungping. She is up at the Coal Whatf. The river keeps full of drift ice right down to this end, but further up it is closed. The Heron is up at the Tientsin bund the Ewe and some lighters at the Nine Forts, and the Lee-tak a little further down, all frozen They are all quite safe. but I don't think they will get to Taku this year.

An English edition of M. Bonvalot's travels in Thibet will be shortly published by Messrs. Cassell and Company in two volumes. The work about to be issued will contain a full record of the severe privations and sufferings the travellers endured during their eventful journeys and of which a summary was pubblished in this journal shortly after the author and his companions arrived in Hongkong last year. The book will be furnished with a route map, in colours, and with illustrations from photographs taken by Prince Henry d'Orleans.

CAPT. R. Martin, master of the British bark Velocity, which arrived here from Honolulu on Saturday last, appeared at the Police Court this morning to answer to the charge of having in his possession on the 19th inst. about 11,000 about between the local government, the tacis, valued at about \$8,000, of prepared oplum without a valid certificate from the Oplum Farmer. The opium was seized on board the such a man in custody at all, but finally Velocity on Saturday by Inspector Stanton, accompanied by Mr. J. J. Spooner, Chief Excise | bentally tortured, charged with committing a Officer, who laid the information. The case was JAPANESE CHRISTMAS CARDS, of hand- | remanded till Thursday next ball being fixed in one surety of \$500.

OUR Chinese contemporary the Hudao says :-While a new store in Peking was celebrating its | here with the vic im resterday and was at once opening with music and singing, crowds of sent to the hospital where he now lies. The beggars injested the place making exorbitant demands for cash and obstructing all ceress and ingress, all chance of doing business being at a standstill. The proprietor expostulated, but it skilfully laid on by stalwart lictors. In reply to our was of no avail; at last he rushed out dealing | inquiries as to what amount of compensation blows right and left. One wretched specimen of the man intended to demand of the Chinese humanity in rags, being too much weakened by Government, the patient said-"I fear to hunger to get out of the way of the enraged proprietor, received a blow on his breast, and was stretched lifeless on the ground. The new shop is closed and the proprietor is awaiting trial for manslaughter.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memoria Hospital begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospital t-Hop Hing

Pawnbrokers' Guild Kin Tye Loong Yik Mo.... How Fung Sul Cheong Eng..... Yung Hin Pong Kwan Mo..... Kwong On Wo Wo KI Yee Yeen Hing Lai Hing Tal Sing Cheong Wo.... Wong Ni Shang...... Tok Ki Lum San Ki Chan Yik Han Tong Kwong Wing Chicupg Cheunk San Man On Tung. Tin Sling

Kung Cheung.....

Yu Sun Loung

THE Sydney Bullette of the 7th ulto. has the freemen and six convicts. At Goulburn, New | Hes you told in giving your evidence. He | could not in any way prevent Mir highest stating South Wales, a few days ago, an inquest said "I know I was an ass to tell such lies. what happened at the Police Court; and that he THE editor of the Tirm Shimpe committed on an old man (75 years) who had died of You knew, the Francis bronchitis in his cell (there happened to be no room in the gaol hospital) the prisoner-half I can't sent that at all syou might have feld the him. Witness continued :- I said "If you are on the jury presented to the Coroner a written truth. He said Will you let me off " I said | under the thumb of Fraser-Smith and were objection to the summoning as jurous prisoners | "I will speak to my solicitors and see what they | forced to commit perjury it "is much more under separate treatment, and at the same time say," He said "well, lifthat's the case I'm important to us to prove he had suborned you complained of the manner in which sick going in there," pointing to the gaol. That was then to prosecute you for perjury." He said he prisoners were dealt with. Prisoners under on November sith or sath, the day after he was alraid of Freser-Smith tringing a criminal separate treatment never see each other and arrested, and before he came before the Magis- charge against him. I said-" better face that know absolutely nothing of what passes outside | trate, while waiting for the case to be called ob. | than a charge of perjury which could be their own cells. Hence, a jury might just as Nobedy else heard the conversation. I went | casily proved. He said Minhi mett has no hold well be summoned from a town a hundred miles straight to Mr. Denbys and told him all that on me except my statement." I said "Of course, if away. Again, these separate men, should there occurred. be default or misconduct on the part of the gaol authorities, are likely to side with the latter | Webber's arrest. I told Mr. Dennys Ixactly | further." He said "Well, the case doesn't amelioration in their own condition. These con- deny having anded my to Webber, That he added he would see me again. He vict-jurous are right in their complaint, but may was a lie. He did call me. I could not finally said "this conversation is as though it pay a severe penalty for their temerity. The tell Mr. Dennys at the time because is was had never taken place." I said "yes." and summon on these juries are prisoners whose "My swidence was a pack of Hes and 1 me. On Friday (or Saturday) Mr. Webber came

on that ground, need have little fear of the

consequences of any yerdict they may give,

THE Robe Herald states that as the price of rice Mr. Dennys: I am not aware what he did still keeps up, quantities of the grain are being (Pressed) Yes, certainly, I do know he shipped from China to Ozaka.

A FIRE broke out on the top floor of No. 57. Wanchai Road at about 7 o'clock on Saturday evening. The police and other fire brigades were quickly on the spot and succeeded getting it under before more than \$700 worth of property was destroyed. "Joss-pidgla " is the supposed origin of the flare up.

THE N. C. Daily News reports that as the steamers Tsuhushi Maris and Beniarie were proceeding up the Shanghai river on the 1cth inst., a collision occurred. The Tsukuski go an anchor when she saw that a collision was inevitable, but the other anchor caught the Benlarig and smashed two of her plates. damage done to the Japanese vessel was principally confined to her sail.

THE Kobe Chronicle gleans from native sources of the wreck of the Carnarvonskire. This vessel was lost off the Wakayama Asu coast some years rescued to be terribly injured. Two men have succumbed to their wounds, and several of the survivors have lost legs or arms.

. To-day's emipping returns.

Inward. Kweilinsteamer, from Kutchinotzu. Shanghai Ningho Shanghal. TaisensWaba. Tamsui &c. Halleeng..... Batoum. Aintdale Esmeralda...... Manile. Glenfruin Mapila. Don Tuan Nagasakil Yokohama. Ancons G. H. Wappaus ... bark Whampoa.

Aggregating 3,963 tons, register.

Outward. Meefoesteamer, for Canton. Maris Whamboa Nagasaki Riversdale Haiphong. Presto...... Swatow. Paoling .. Swatow, &c Hailas Chow Chow foo Yekobama: Holhow, &c Amicilia , Amoy. Cheang Hys Teng ... New York. Sachem abip Nicoya bark Bangkok. Nantong. Georgistia Aggregating 11,86; tons, register.

AFTER a great deal of unnecessary trouble the local authorities have succeeded in inducing the Chinese authorities to release and hand over to the custody of Inspector Hanson a Chinaman, named Lum Ah Ying, who was kidnapped by Chinese Yamen runners in British territory, at Sam-sui-po, on the 7th July last. Ever since that time despatches have been flying British Consul at Canton and the Chinese authorities. At first the latter denied having admitted it, and on Saturday last-after being burglary near Canton as years ago (1), and being half starved in a filthy dungeon—the unfortunate man was formally surrendered by the Chinese to the British Consul at Canton who handed him over to Inspector Hanson last week. The latter arrived man has lost the use of one of his legs owing to the torture applied to it, and his body and legs are tattooed with scars caused by the bamboo, demand anything. My mother lives at Yum Ching in the province of Kwantung, and if they could not get at me they would make it hot for her. But, irrespective of that, I fear that should I demand compensation the same, or someother, gang will get hold of, and burcher me. I was brutally testured and starved, and hung up by my beels for four hours to try and make me confess. When going to the British consulate in Canton, the Magistrate said that it I denied being arrested in British territory be would release ms. He said-say you were grabbed at Chung-sa-wan, not at Sam-sui-po. I said 'all right.' But as soon as I got under the British flag I feared him no more, and stoutly dealed that I was in Chinese territory when Ik deapped. One of the party that arrested sao was a man who owed me a grudge, and threatened to 'go for 'me long ago, The trouble was over his sweetheart. I am very thankful to the British

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION,

authorities. They have saved my life."

(Before Chief Justice Sir J. Russell and a Special Jury.) December 21st.

MINNIMETT OF PRASER AMITE. 🔝

On the resumption to-day.

Cross-examined This was the morning after term of sentence has nearly expired, and who, was an eas to tell othern? was falle, He to me in the Court library and said "if Francis told me "It was all jes and I vas an mentions what took place at the Police Court_I app to tell such ifor," I fell the men entire with small mention when those place in your office." I

wrote to Webber through a third party. I do not know that Mr. Dennys made overtures to him to the effect that if he would say the evidence he gave was a pack of lies, we would let him off. I have heard Webber say that in Court. When Webber and I spoke together, the Inspector of Police stood back. Don't know his name, but know his face well. I came out in 1878 for the Praya Wall. I was a stone mason before. After two years on the Praya Wall I was put on the work of building the P. & O. offices, by Mr. Price. My agreement provided that Mr. Price could send me to any private firm, and I would be paid by that firm. I first went home to England in 1881. I had \$90 a month, Sundays, holidays and night work double pay-\$7,30 per day, about \$36 in a month; and chair and lodging allowances. I was right when I said it came to \$160 a month. I never borrowed any money from a contractor; but when I was locked the following particulars of a serious and fatal up on the charge of rape a friend of mine borexplosion which recently took place at the scene | sowed \$1,500 from a contractor to bail me out. I paid \$1,500 myself, making \$3,000, the amount of bail. Tsang King, to whom I lent \$11,000, ago, but salving operations have been carried on | was a contractor for works under me. I have up to date. It appears that some dynamite a perfect right to lend my own money which had been brought in a junk for to anyone I like. I consider it quite right to do the purpose of shattering some part, of the | so. I was foreman of section "B" of the conduit steamer suddenly exploded breaking the junk | work, and he was contractor for that. I was not to pieces and throwing all the people who in any way responsible for the work. I did no were on board, eight in all, into the water. | measurements. The debt of \$17,000 has been Fortunately the unusual noise attracted the transferred-(I don't wish to expose a prominent attention the men engaged on the wreck of the man in the colony who has accepted the Ulysses some distance off, and the divers at responsibility)—Tsang King still owes me \$9,000, work there immediately went to the assistance | baving paid back \$1,000, I never borrowed of the struggling men, who were found when from Tsang King. In the conspiracy case on November 19th 1800 I said "I transferred the note (Webber's and Smith's) to Tsang King and redeemed it when Webber left the Colony as he was pressing me for the money." He did owe me \$11,000 all the time. Webber and Mr. Fraser-Smith asked me to be security with the N. O. B. C. for the purchase of the gunboats. I became security, and then had to borrow the money from the Tsui Kap Bank to pay the N. O. B. C. the \$6,500. I went to the Oriental Bank with Webber and arranged it Tsang King borrowed it for me from the Tsui Kap. I endorsed the note to Tsang King. He

> child. It is all false, I first heard of the charge of rape eight or ten months afterwards.

His Lordship-After what? No answer-question repeated. Witness-Er, er-well,-after it was supposed to have occurred. You see, eight or ten months after the date she names as the date of the offence, she sold the girl, and I had a row with her about it, and then she said I had attempted to outrage the child.

re-endorsed it to me, to sue on it, and I sued Mr.

Fraser-Smith. I don't know the date when it

was re-transferred. (Question held over for pro-

duction of note.) I have heard Goulbourn, Mrs.

Goulbourn, Webber, and A Ngan speak about the

Defendant :--- In the criminal prosecution you were asked "Do you wish the jury to believe that the woman Ah Ngan made up entirely a concoction about the child?"

Plaintiff:-Yes, and I still believe so. Defendant :-- Listen to your answer then-"! believe it was the invention of Mr. Fraser-Smith "Which do you mean-that she originated

it, or I I Plaintiff-I believe you are at the bottom of the whole thing. I believe you were the originater of the whole thing. I know your little game. If you could have got me to have cleared out of the colony, you would have been free of the dehts you owed me.

His Lordship-Don't go on any longer like that. You must keep your temper and answer the questions. You said at first that you believed the woman concocted the story. You say then "I believe it was your invention." Do you believe so still?

Plaintiff:—Yes, I believe he is at the bottom of the whole thing. His Lordship :- In what respect do you mean

Plaintiff:-The Police Court proceedings and the whole proceedings all through. He gives information to the police, and he backs up everything right throughout. That is my mean-

Defendant:-Do you mean that I concocted the story myself and got the woman to come forward and swear to it? Plaintiff:-Yes, I believe so. I believe you

did. Yes, my lord. Defendant:—And now you have just told the Court that this happened in 1887 or 1888, and the first you heard of it was from Ah Ngan. before ever you had any trouble with mn .- I have

finished, my lord. Mr. Francis asked no questions. The Court:—You are asked—Do you mean the ary to believe Ngan's story in reference to the outrage was an entire concoction, namely that she found you in the position described, and all the horrible details, told in the Police Court and referred to again here by Mrs. Goulbourn-do you mean to say that Mr. Frager-Smith concocted that entirely in the first instance? Then again you say it would never have been heard of if it had not been that you accused her of having sold a girl, which caused a quartel. Do you mean to say Mr. Fraser-Smith put her up to do that i

Plainiff:-No. not to do that, but later on he wrote the letter and got Ward to swear to all kinds of things, and he brought this charge of rape sgainst me. I mean he was at the bottom of bringing the charge of rape against me.

Henry L Dennys, solicitor, said he remem-

bored Mr. Wabber giving evidence de bone esse

and afterwards being arrested on a warrant charging him with perjury. Witness attended at the police court next morning. The proceedings only lasted five minutes. Witness was in a great hurry to get away to the Supreme Court. The same day Minhinnett made a statement. In consequence, witness told Mr. Francis, and after that wrote to Spooners saw Spooner, and told him certain things John Minhimett, la further examination by in consequence, Webber came to witness next Mr. Francis, said that at the Police Court day and a conversation passed. Nobody else Spooner called him and said Webber wanted to heard it. Witness said "I presume Spooner see him. Went to the stops leading down to has spoken to you" and he said "This the charge room. Webber met him and and conversation must be absolutely without "Well old man, how are you getting on! Will prejudice and perfectly confidential" but witness you shake hands? I said "No, not after the told him then and there that the conversation said ! How the devil has he got you? or witness had any personal ill will towirds you dony what you said to Minhimnett at the Police Court, it is no good our talking any in order to avoid their wrath and to obtain as I theve related of heard Mr. Spooner come on for some time yet" and I think Corough referred the complements, to the busy in the Court. Webber's statement that I | never mentioned it to anyone until Webber Visiting Justice for redress. They are likely to | said "I am sorry to prosecute you was filed. It spoke about it. During the conversation. I had meet with little sympathy. The proper men to is also false that my stylement as to his saying before me my own note of what Minhinnett told

said "I thought that was confidential wand he said " very well," or something of that bort. Cross-examined—In the conversation in my. office he substantially denied that he had committed perjury or had admitted it. Perjury le a misdemeanour.

to attempt to condone serious offences, as you in large and representative body of officers admit you attempted to condone this ?-I don't at considerable length. Members of the admit that I attempted to condone any offence. attached to them, that if Webber would say I Association (Liverpool) were present, as also had coerced him to perjure himself, you were the Hon, Treaturer, Mr. H. Bathurst, and the quite willing to withdraw the prosecution against \ Secretary, Mr. Chesney Duncan.

advice of counsel.

Counsel's newless is not always reliable. Why had introduced him at the Police Court to Minoplum farm business.

wanted was to "Smash Frager-Smith" he was | profession. The objects of this Association are speaking the truth? -- I don't think those to promote the interests of all connected with it. wirds were used, but I don't deny for a moment | by fostering and promoting fraternal sympathy that I do want to "Smash Fraser-Smith," 100 (and co-operation with each other; to use its the Tytam works from 1883 to 1889. Knew which iell ct. its memb re pinced on a fiir and plain iff, and what work he did. Contractors equitable bisis, and to use every legitimate

were prid according to with-as judgment so ely. means to advince the best interests of the The work was measured, but detailed quantities | Members-morally, socially, and intellectually. were prepared before the work was made, and on Those were the objects in view at the outset. these, payments were adjusted. Mr. Goulbuin's | they are still our objects, and will, I trust, ever statement that quantities, and measurements, be our ration ditre as a brdy of certificated signed by witness, and in Minhimmett's writing. | British mailness (rear, heir). With such objects were sent in for payment, was not true. It was in view and acti g, as we do up in the principle not possible for nim to squress. Witness had that "unity is strength" it is not to be wonderedat no desire, for a better workman. He was a very that this Assiciation is known and respected in hardworking man, always on the spot. Witness | all parts of the world. It is now about twelve did not believe he'absented himself frequently. I months since I delivered my annual address in

about once a day, and never noticed [that plaint iff was away. Minhinnett imade many measu rements for witness, for the purpose of comparison with the previously drawn quantities; then the receipts were signed for payment Witness had no knowledge of Minhimett's character away from his work. Witness ki cw Tsang King There is a rule in the department forbiding the receipt of "cumshaws" in any form--jewels, money, turkeys, or anything.

By Mr. Francis :- At that time plaintiff was under, a special contract, not under the general staff of the P.W.D.; but he was a Government servant all the time. Diefendant then addressed the jury at great length, occupying the Court until 4.30 p.m.

Counsel for the plaintiff then spoke that 6 15 As we propose to issue the paper to-night; not next week, the full text of these remarks is

held over until to-morrow. Mr. Francis concluded at 6.15, and his Lipidship then proceeded to sum up, clearly in favour of plaintiff.

At 7.3 the jury retired to consider their verdict. At 7.25 the jury returned a verdict unanimously as follows :-"That the two articles are untrue, defamatory,

and malicious. "That defendant has not proved the allegations made by him therein.

"That the articles were not frir comment, but were dictated by malicious motives. "That plaintiff is entitled to \$2 000 damages." with some hissing, which was at once suppressed. thousands of people benefit thereby (hear, hear). Mr. Francis:-I ask for judgment for that

for tax tion. Mr. Fraser-Smith :-- And I ask for the right of by violent action, but I am convinced that byappeal on the grounds of the verdict being laying matters before our owners it a reasonable: against the weight of evidence, and of mis-

His Lordship :-- What was the misdirection Mr. Fraser-Smith :- Is it necessary to state the grounds in detail at once? Leanny now. His Lordship .- Oh, you want to find outsomething by, and by, ch? (Unanimous signs of the utmost contempt for the man Russell who acted as Judge.)-Judgment for \$3,000 and costs of the suit.

Mr. Francis repeated his request for immediate execution, and quoted precedents. His Lordship :-Why do you want it to be immediate execution?

Mr. Francis: -- I am instructed to apply for I His Lordship :-- It must be on some ground stated. I do not see why execution should; not proceed in the ordinary way.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS. (Before Mr. Fielding-Clark, Pulsne Judge) MR. E. L. WOODIN.

Edward Littlefield Woodin was charged on 21 separate counts with the embezz'ement of money the property of his employers, the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navig tion Company; the falsification of the books of the Co. : And forgery, Mr. Francis, Q.C., appeared for the defence and Mr. Leach prosecuted. Prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six years' imprisonment, with hard labour, or A full report of the case, is "crowded out"

THE PARSER CASE. with the embestioment of \$ 00 the moneys of his employers, Messes Patell und Company, mittee is just now considering and kaking storekrepers. Mr. Pollock prosecuted, and Mr. Leach defended 4214 a

Prisoner pleaded in not guilty. Sentence to Elekteen minn he hard labour. FOOCHOW RACESant out

FIRST DAY,-TUESDAY, 157H DECEMBER; The STEWARDS CUP, (Presented) praduction for all China ponies ; weights, as per scale entrance \$5. Half a mile. Mr. Newboy's bl. Black Leaf, sist, ilb.

as per scala. Three-quarters-of-a-mile. Mr. Boco's gr. Reindeer, 10st. 12lb..... The CHAASEE CUP, value \$100; second pony to receive \$15; for Foothow, and Amoy Bubscription Griffins of this or provious meetings; weights as per scale; entrance \$5. One mile and half.

Mr. Esher's gr. Sandown, 12st-41b.............. The COMPRADORES' CUP, value \$- ; for al China ponies ; weights as per scale; entrance. 14. One mile.

Mr. Newboy's bl Black Leaf, Tist ilb....... The STAND STAKES; of \$5 each, with \$50 added, divided 70, 20, and 10 per cent, to the First, Second and Third Pontes; for Foochow. and Amoy Subscription Giffins of this br previous meetings; weights as per scale; winners at this or previous meetings tolb. extra. Seven furlongs,

Mr. Esher's gr. Sandown, xtst. 4lb. Mr. Richam's wh. White Heather, 11st 11b.... 2

extra. One mile and a quartet young!

BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINA OFFICERS ASSOCIATION.

The half-yearly meeting of the above named Association was held at College Chambers on Friday evening last, Captain Samuel Ashton, Defendant :-- Is it the custom smong solicitors is the President, occupied the Chair and addressed Shanghal Association, the London Shipmasters' Your own words is not the meaning to be. | Society, and the Mercantile Marine Service

him for what you knew was an off nce ?-We ... The President, who was greeted with applause. would have been perfect'y willing to ask the said-Gentlemen, I am very pleased to meet Maxistrate to allow us to withdraw, the charge you again on the occasion of our third halfyearly meeting. Our Association is now just Was that justified, to allow such an offence righteen months old and there is, I am delighted to pass?-Certainty. I took that course by the to see, every prospect of it fl urishing and carrying on its useful labous, uncessingly for the next 18 years, at least (applause). We are how did you communicate with Wabber through; merely in our childhood, so to say, we have yet Spooner and not directly? Pecause Spooner | to attain the age of manhood. Judging by our achievements so far there seems to be every binnett, and Spooner was often at my office on likelihood of this Association bring the means. directly hand, indirectly, of a effecting tradical When Webber said you told him that all you reforms in the condition of members of the I mes Orange, architect, said he supe vised united i fluence to have the laws of the country Cross examined :- Witness visited the work | these rooms." On that recasion I referred to the SUNDAY LABOUR QUESTION

which was then far from saitled. I said, if I

remember rightly, "it is a question which not only affects local men but every mercantile merioe officer who visit this ports, .. You should not hope that your fruit will ripen immediately. You must give it time, and I believe, amfirmly convinced in fact, that by so doing me shall have ripe fruit in the end. It is too great and the mementous a question to be settled in a moment, but I do trust that in this the Jubilce year of the colony we may re-sonably look forward to a satisfactory issue before the year ifor draws to a close. I hink such would be a huin (he most suitable) permanent me morial. we could have to mark the Jubilee of Hongkong. You must remember that is this reform, the very first we have attempted, it will be carried as I trust all our measures will be carried, by the force of reason and argument—not by violent action." That is what I said last January, and whether or not I was justified in m king those remarks you are in a position to judge for yourse'ves (applause). Gentlemen. you may well applaud for the question was settled, as you know, by the late Governor, Sir G. William Des Voeux, and the practice of compulsory unnecessary Sunday libour ceased once and for ever on the 1st August last (renewed applicase). By your united efforts, by the aid of the Press, by the good will of the local and home Government, by the weight of reason and argument, by the weight of all shades of public opinion, and by the aid of the The announcement of the veidict was received | Church and State the question was carried and No de ubt other reforms can be effected in a very smount and immediate execution without waiting | similar manner. I don't think any great revolution can be eff-cted with credit to your profession. manner we shall accomplish a great deal. I am delighted that you were able to afford

some amusement to your friends and well-wishers: recently. I refer to the

MATINE OFFICERS! BALL which proved a grand success from every

point of view. I must tell you candidly that I feared you were going a little too fast. and that, the guarantors would find them. selven saddled with a pretty heavy deficit. Happi'y the very reverse is the case, and in addition to having given one of (as I hear on every side) the most er jayable, "hops" of the season you have actually profited by the dance. 1 hearily corg stulate you, gertlemen, on the success that has attended your efforts in respect to this and everything else you have takert in ha d, and I especially congrituate the Hon-Secretary and the Dince Committee who winst have worked very hard indeed (hear, hear.) . I was. and still am very sorry that I could not be with you on that happy occasion, but I trust for b etter luck next year. I'll be with you then "by hook or by crook " (applaus). ... THE NEW SHIPPING LAW

or as it is termed-" The Merchant Shipping Consulidation Ordinance, (1891) * contains a clause which/ is an amendment of the old Ordinance. I refer to Section 20 sub-Section 5 in which the word "foreign" has been inserted which has the eff of making the law apply to loreigners on board ships frequenting the waters of this colony. That is to say, by local legislation the law is made to apply Cowasjee Byramice: Tavaria was charged to the same extent to foreigners as the Imperial I Acts do to British mariners, Your comaction, in respect, to further amendments of the laws, affecting British officers, as , also in relation stor pleacy, so I do not consider the present a sultable time to add any. thing to what I have a'ready said about those matiers, Vour Secretary bas communicated with the Government and his report, a very interesting document, is now, in the hands of the Committee and it will, I's manre, receive their carnest and prompt consider tion. A GREAT AVIABENING

Finally, while congratulating you only your The MAIDEN STAKES, forced entry of \$10 each position and on the fict that you are affil lated with \$50 added : \$150 to the first puny \$20 to with most p werful bady of mercaptile mi arine the second ; for subscription griffins ; weights officers that the world has yet knowle, I witter tell you, that wibough your member ribin hes increased considers bly during the past year, still there is room for improvement. You should all use your influence to enrol war brinber officers in all parts of the word. It they don't sea the advantages of union you idol and you should Crockily explain matters to them. There, has been a great awakening smongst officers at bome and abroad during the past two years. At last the tiuth of the maxim "unity is stienzu." ap care to have dawned upon the storm-to seed mariner, and he sees that the season for many of his grevances is to be found in the fact that off :ers bave not "beld together," their sanks have been split py in fragments, and the result has been vetrogression. Now, athir schould not be. Think for a moment of megaliude and the inportance of the British Merchant Service ! To our ships, our meichant havy ploughing the seas and carrying cargo and passengers to and from our The Hongkong Cup, (Presented); value \$200; colonies and foreign ands is due, in great meafor all China ponics; weights as per scale; sure, our position as the first commercial nation entrance Sto. One mile and a hall, it followorld and our commerce the greatest the world has yet known a And it should be borne The MIN STAKES, forced \$10; for Subscription In sping that without our merchant floors that Griffing: \$100 to the First Pony, \$20 to the | Vast commerce cannot be maintained and it is Second; weights as per scale; winner 7 th. thorotore, by the use and efficiency of her Merchant Bervice that her coormous commerce Mr. Min's Et. Bhoddy: 31.4. Ilberteerstreetier 3 | Chat malethomable season of wealth to

and by which England will maintain in public gardens with the same apparent pleaher p and position as the first commercial sure that a hungry tourist does a tiffin bill of Power of the world (hear, hear). Bearing all fare. Whether regarded from a scientific. these things in mind, gentlemen, you should religiouser philosophic standpoint, it is a very restrain every nerve to improve the status of markable book. Its tone is similar to the belief your great profession; improve its personnel; of the average Christian. "It feaches the existsafeguard its interests; maintain the dignity ence of a greater power for good (Ormus or of your p sitions as officers and gentle- Abura Mazda) and another for evil (Ahriman or men; and show to the world that you are | Harinnana); that life is a long struggle between fully alive to the danger of disunion. Strive by right and wrong; that virtue is rewarded and every means in your power to bring about neces- vice punished in this world and the next, and sary reforms. Ih w in the future, as you have that the sun, fire or heat is the origin of all in the past, that British sailors are ever ready | physical life, as God is the origin of all spiritual and willing to do their duty. Stick to your guns, | existence. It tells the story of Adam and Eve, and you'll win in the end (loud applause). Never the Garden of Eden, the temptation by the serforget that "unliy is strength" and that you are pent, the deluge and, in fact, nearly all the members of what should ever be a highly stories that appear in the first part of Genesis. respected, hor ourable, and most important pro- | The resemblance is more than accidental. It fession (renewed applause amidst which the has convinced many of the leading Bible scholars speaker resumed his seat).

balance sheet of the accounts for the past half and origin is more Iranic than Hebraic. year on the table. The accounts showing a fair credit balance were passed; the Treasurer receiving a hearty vote of thanks, and congratulations upon the success which had attended his labours in the interests of the society.

The election of the Committee for the ensuing year, and a vote of thanks to the President for his address, curried by acclamation, brought the proceedings to a cluse...

PARSEES IN THE EAST.

Followers of Zoroaster.

THEY ARE THE OLDEST RACE IN THE WORLD.

The East is full of Parsees. On every steamer, at the hotels and thea res, on the promenade or drive, is seen there swirthy children of Bombay. Slerider, . l'ent and angaci .us, they aprest every where. Their principal profession is in buying copra from the livek, and relling years to the Hakka. They trade wholes de, and retail opium to every vict m of h poisonous pipe. They lend

money a every rate of interest, from a few cash to the hard-un boatman to lacs of supers to banks and great tadi ghongs. They are the Lombards of the East. Every ir veller knows them and is glad to see them in a starge land, for their presence meins order, bu inois methodi and a more or less decent police system. But how many realize, in meeting a Parsec, that they are in the presence of the oldest race, the oldest language, the oldest religion and the oldest civil zation known to man?

The name Parsee is but a corruption of the name of their fa herland Persia. This they call Iran, and themselves Irana or Irania. Where they came from originally no one knows, although learned philogists have quarreled over the question for ages. Long before the wolf-suckled twins had built the walls of Rome or the Aryan warriors had invaded India they had some sort of a civilization in Western Asia. We can learn but little of its fentures. It had a code of laws, a mies, priests, social distinctions and a primit've and probably po'ytheistic faith. This was at least six thousand years >go, and possibly sixteen thous nd. It was before the time of Ahraham, and long before Noah went to sea. They are tru'y the "old timers" out here, but they do not regard the newcomer with that comfortable schrn expressed and often illustrated in the grub-stake equatters of our Western Territories when a recent arrival termed "tenderfoot" effects a location; but, on the contrary, the Parsee of the East is affable and amiable, punctiliously polite, cordial and courteous in minner and speech, and, above all, what is most refreshing in this quarter of the globe, he poisesses that very attractive quality that is likened unto godliness-he is a model of

cleanliness. The Parseels a rara avis in the United States. HE Steamship The last census doesn't report more than a hundred. Possibly Census-aker Porter and Mayor Grant may increase this number.

I was never able to learn from books how large their total numbers were in the world. One authority makes them 100 000 strong, another, equally learned, multiplies this by three. The most satisfactory information I have obtained on the subject came from a merchant of their race in Singapore. "Our rules of living," he vaid, "tend to restrict the size of the family to a poliot at which our numbers remain stationary. The increased this of physicians has undoubtedly lowered the death rate and so apparently increased our ranks within the past twenty years, but I question if the diffe ence is more than-three-per cent. We are clannish, and keep a sharp eye uron all our members. In most countries religious toleration is the rule, and then we know the numbers of our race, But in many Mohammedan lands, (Arabia, Peraia. Afghanistan and Turkey) where the split of fanaticism prevails, most of us are obliged to pretend to be followers of Islam. According to our best knowledge we number about 250,000. of which 110,000 Fre in Hindustan, and the rest are scatt red all over the world. We regard the city and province of Bombay as our home. and try to accumu ate enough wealth to go there and live comfortably in our old age. There is a prophecy among us that is half forgotten, which says that in the fullness of time we shall go back and occurry our cap't lin Iran (Petila) and again be one of the great nations of the carib."

A wonder ulcharacteristic of the Parseculathele physical un thangeability. Those you see to-day might have been the mid-is from which artists made their designs for the Egyptian temples or the palaces and libraries of Nineven and Babylon. Five thou a d years have not produceda precept ble alteration in theirappratance. Their festures are of the same type to-day asthore of the time of Cyrus. This can not be said of any o her race. The Hebrews, the most wonderful people in the world, have displayed much more ediptability, and have shanged in complexion to conform to the climate id which they lived. Those in Aden are almost bronze, and in Mozambique black as Othello. In Germany they have brown hair and blue, gray or emerald eyes, while in Finland, Scandinavia and the Baltic provinces they become blondes with golden or suddy halr, and develop a complexion worthy of the goddess of Norse mythology. From this type the medicaval masters took the Madonna, whose fame will prver die. The HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 28th blonde Israelite was provably noke we at the December, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visittime of Christ, but the same swarthy blue black | ing Brethren are cordially invited. haired Parace as we see in Hongkong, China and Japan, filled the fierce armies with which Kernes tried to conquer Greece in the dawn of European history. They were not highly advanced morally. They practiced polygamy and indulged in concubinage, and their religious, ceremonies sacuficed human beings upon the aliars of several deities. In fact, from this ancient race is supposed to bave come the Aumous worship of Miloch, with its fiendish concluies, and of Ashtasoth, with it fearfully lascivious orgies.

This old faith seems to have grown weak and no have lost its hold upon the people. It lingered, however, until the time of Zarathustra, Zerdusht of Z moaster, as he is variously called, who preached a new doctrine to the Zend or

Iranian people. If religious are to be valued by their antiquity and duration; the sun-wotible or fire-worthip of that great teacher is the first religion of all history. He doctrines were gathered into one quality only. book, called the Avesta or Zendayests, of which meanly all has been preserved unto to-day, and only a very small portion has been randered into English I have seen Parsuos devently steding

the Empire) will be even further developed, their Zendavesta on the steamers, at hotels and of the present generation that Genesis is merely Mr. H. Bathurst, the Treasurer, then laid the a reteiling of the Z-ndavesta and in character

> The Zendavesta is as arcred to-day as it was when first proclaimed by Zoronster. The Parace reads it as the Puritan read the New Testament. He employs it in the sacr ments of life, swears upon it in taking a solemn oath, and even goes so far as to ornament the walls of his room with lines from its more poetic passages. In truth, it is the Parsee's constant companion.

> The language in which the brok is written, Zend, bears the same relation to Sunscrib as the latter dies to Gre k and latin. It is simpler, stronger and more sonorous. It is nearer that stave in which our speech was traitsparent, and each root and syllable had its force and value. To hear a Parsee reading prayers is to hear a chant marvellously melod our, smo th and delightful. In fifty or sixty centuries it has changed but little. Zoroaster would be at home to-day in the palace of a Parsee merchant prince, and could a young Bomb v calesman be transported back to the days of Xaxes and Darlus he would find no d ffi ulty in se ling the sutler a

full supply of sheddy and himmagem. Is there a schoolboy who does not know the golden age of Persian history? I's mighty wars with Akkad, Assyria, Baby'on, and Egypt? Its countless armies, which conquer d Asia, but were foiled and vanquished by the Greek heroes Its subjug tion by Alexarder the Great; its becoming a vassal province to one General after another; its absorption by Rome; its fruitless attempts for independence, and its final obliteration by the ferocious followers of Islam? This last chapter has never been written, but it was the same as that of Granada after Ferdinand the Catholic had driven Boahdil across the sea to Africa. " Worship our god or die!" was the

cry in Spain and in Pensia likewise. It is said that there were 50 0,000 Persians at the beginning of the counde; 3,000,000 fell by the sword, 2,000,000 at jured the faith of their fithers, and a miserable remnant managed to fly through Afghanistan into India, where they were welcomed and protected by the native princes. But this chosen few preserved their faith intact, and their offspring preserve it to-day. Not far from my Consulate is the residence of a wealthy Parsee. Many a morning at sunrise have seen him spread his prayer-rog upon the appeared fall upon his knees and pray as did his ancestors five linusand years ago .- Hon Edward Bedloe in Phila 'elphia Times.

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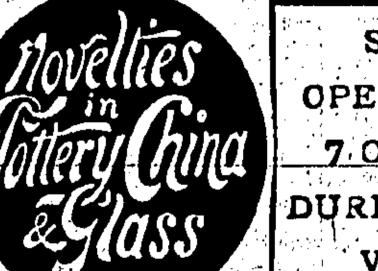
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Custom House. Kowloon, 18th December, 1891, 12

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THE GERMAN MAIL The Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s steamer Stuttgart, with the German mail of the 24th pltimo, left Singapore on the 20th instant at p.m., and may be expected here on the 20th. THE AMERICAN MAIL:

The O. & O. S. S Co.'s steamer Gastic, with mails, &col flom San Francisco to the 26th cit. left Yokohama on the 17th instant, and may be expected here on the agrd.

THE CANADIAN MAIL . The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer Empress of China, with the next Canadian mail left Vancouver on Thursday, the 17th instant for Yokohama and Shanghal,

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Shire line steamer Patkan left Singspore on the 14th instant, and is due here to-day. December 20, Paoling, British steamer, for The D. D. R. steamer Lydia left Singapore Swatow.

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to-day. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Ancous left December 20, Chow-chow-foo, German str., for CHUSAM, German steamer, 623, W. Wendt 16th Magazaki on the 17th instant at 5 p.m., and is value here toldsy, i diff i minite the sale will

The Glen line steamer Wesaug, from Hollow, &c. instant at 6 p.m., and is due here on the agrd. 15 1 for Amoy. Singapore on the 14th instant, and is due here gapore, &c. on the 14th or 25th,

The Ben' line steamer Benvenue left Singapore on the 10th instant, and is due here on the

-The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer Nester left Singapore on the morning of the 19th inst., and is expected here on the 26th. The N. G. Italiana steamer Bormida left Singapore on the 20th instant, and is due here on

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer Texcer Chinese. left Singapore on the 20th tristant, and is due here on the 27th. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Canion

left Bombay on the 11th Instant, and is due liere on the 28th.

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W. Downwick,

Hongkong Observatory, 20th December, 1891.

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ARRIVALS. BENGLOE, British steamer, 1,158, Farquhar, 19th Dec.,-London, and Singapore 11th Dec., General.-Gibb, Livingston & Co.

KWEILIN, British steamer, 1,088, A. Vandin 20th Dec. -- Kutchinotzu 15th Dec., Coal.-Butterfield & Swire. NINGPO, German steamer, 762; R. Köhler, 20th Dec.,-Shanghai 17th Dec., General.-

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FOOKBANG, British steamer, 991, Spencer Wilde, 20th Dec.,—Wahu 17th Dec., Rice.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

iancono, British steamer, 783, J. Rosch, 20th Dec.,—Tamsul 17th Dec., Amoy 18th, and Swatow 19th, General.-D. Laprass

Oil.—Order. Esmeralda, British steamer, 966, G. A. Tayler, 20th Dec. - Manila 17th Dec. General -Shewan & Co.

GLENFRUIN, British steamer, 1,892; E. Norman, 20th Dec.,—Singapore, 16th Dec., General.
—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
G. H. WAPPAUS, British bark, 533, Hanston, 20th Dec.,-Whampos 19th Dec., General.

Don Juan, Spanish steamer, 554. R. Beltran, 21st Dec.,—Manila 18th Dec., General.— Brandão & Co.

Asagao, Japanese steamer, 1,521, M. Tornos, 21st Dec.,—Negazaki 16th December, Chal. —Mitsu Bishi Colliery.

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Hein-yu, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai. Halphong, French steamer, for Halphong. Halloong, British steamer, for Swatow.

DEPARTURES. December 19, Plover, British gunbost, for watow. December 19, Phra Chons Klao, British att., for

December 26, Merfoo, Chinese str., for Cantha. December 20, Marle, German str., for Canton, December 20, Sachem, American ship, for New December 20, Nicoya, British bark, for Bangkok.

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Nagataki December 20, Presto, German steamer, for Hai- 13

Swatow, &c. December 20, Amiciila, Norwegian steamer, for London and Batoum, left Singapore on the 16th | December 20, Chicke Hye Teng, British sta, The Shire line steamer Torrington less December 20, Glengyle, British steamer, for Bine Diblich, British steamer, 1,432, Dickens, 17th

December at, Kibsang, British etc., for Amoy,

PASSENGERS-ARRIVED. Per Benglos, str., from London, &c .- I European and 100 Chinese.

Per Ningpo, str., from Shanghal,-Miss Tutbill, Mr. Kingsley, and 14 Chinese. Per Taisang, str., from Shanghal .- Messrs. Edwards Williams, and 147 Chinese. Per Hallorng, str., from Tamsul, &c .- Dr. and Mrs. Blackburn, Captain Farrow, and 141

Per Ancena, str., from Yokohama for Hongkong.-Mesars, Shea, Lawson, Kidd, Dallaglio, P. Casgrain, Ali Cuning, and 6 Chinese. From Kobe.-Mrs. Namura, Messrs. Kopadia, Wan Cheong, 2 Japanese and 3 Chinese. From Naga-waki,—2 Chinese. From Yokohama for Singa-pore.—Mr. J. D. Mercer. For Ismailla.—Mr. and Mrs. Baker and child. For London - Mr. A. Pattman. From Kobe for Singapore --- I

Per Glenfruin, str., from Singapore.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Bone and family, Mrs. Jordan and family, Mrs. Joseph, Miss Wooden, Miss M. Taylor, and 200 Chinese. Per Esmeralde, str., from Manila.-Mr. Britto, and 14 Chinese.

Per Don Juan, str., from Manila .- 3 Europeans and 12 Chinese. Per Glamorganshire, str., from Nagasaki.-Mr. H. Strong, and a Chinese. DEPARTED.

-Messra. W. K. Reck and F. X. Loring. For S n Francisco.—r European, For London.— Mr. C. X. Best.

Per Whampoa, str., for Salgon,-400 Chinese. Per Amicitia, str., for Holhow.-12 Chinese. Per Haisan, str., for Swatow-Meiters. R. Cooke and Wong Tal Fong. For Foothew.-Captain Kretzehmer and Mr. A. G. Wood.

Per Preusses, str., from Hongkong for Singa-pore-Mrs. Febl and son, Mrs. Loong See and son, Mrs. Lo Tai Tai and family, Mesrs. J. O. Miller, L. C. Gratz, R. Gutierrez, Alfred M. Coats, J. M. Doane, Jr., J. W. Carter, Chun Soy Chune, and Wong Fat Tan. For Genoa, -Mr. Henry A. Bush. For Southampton. -Mr. Alex. Holmes. For Bremen .- Messirs, A. Brunns and H. James Bull. From Shangbal for Bremen.-Mrs. A. Schmidt, From Nagasaki for Port Sald .- Mr. Alexander Elemest. For Aden .-Mr. Michael Nadelajeff. For Genoa.-Mr. Otto Schmidt, For Bremen,-Mrs. A, Rieck and ,2 children: From Hogo for Brindish. Rav. J. B. Hail and family. From Yokohama for Singapore.—Mr. Giardino Cologing, For Genoa.— Mr. and Mrs. Carl Robde and children, and Mr. P. Jensen, For Southampton.-Major Howard. For Bremen.-Messrs. H. Koch, and Nanjoks. Per Kwangles, str., for Shanghai.-100

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Chinese.

The British steamship Ainsdall reports that she left Batoum on the 7th instant. Had fine weather throughout. "The British steamship Fooksang reports that she left, Wuhu on the 16th instant, Had! fine weather with moderate breeze.

The British steamship. Glenfruis reports that she left Singapore on the 16th instant. Had strong north-east winds and heavy sea. The B itish steamship Esmeralda reports that

sha left Manila on the 17th instant. Had light north-west winds and fine weather. From the 18th; up, to arrival had moderate to fresh northeast winds and heavy northerly swell. The British steamship Benglee, reports that

she sailed from London, and left Singapore on the 11th; instant. After leaving (Singapore had fresh breeze and squally weather, followed by fresh to strong gales and heavy seas to port. And Dritten steamening Tassang reports that she left Shanghai on the 17th instant. Had moderate north-east gale with overcast sky and thick rainy weather to Swatow; from Swatow to port had light north-east winds and fine weather. The Billish sicamably Hallong sports that she left Tamsul on the 17th instant, Amoy on the 18th, and Swatow on the 19th (Had) fresh: north-east monsoon with moderate sea and threatening weather between Tamsul and Amoy, and from Amoy to Swatow. From Swatow had light winds with smooth sea and fine cloudy wentlier to port.

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A MAIL WILL CLOSE! For Halphong .- Per Talylek to morrows the

Tind inflant, at 9.30 A.M. For Straits, Colombo, and Bombay,-Per AINSDALE, British steamer, 1,417, J. H. Hurst, Maria Teresa to-morrow, the 22nd instant, at Kiang-ping, Chinese steamer, 360, Holmes.—
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Hongkong—Stramers. Continued.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 3,003, Geo, . A. Lee, R.N.R., 10th Dec.,-Vancouver 19th Nov, Yokohama 3rd Dec., and Shanghai-8th, General.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co. FAME, British steamer, 227, Captain McIsaacs, - Hongkong Government tender.

GENERAL WERDER, German steamer, 3,020, B. Blanke, 17th Dec ..- Yokohama 10th Dec.; Mails and General. Melchers & Co. HAIPHONG, French steamer, 874, Fauran, 17th Dec.,-Haiphong 13th Dec., and Holhow

Rice and General.-Messageries Maritimes. Hafu-yu, Chinese steamer, 1,027, Laucaster, 10th Dec.,-Canton 10th Dec., General,-C. M. S. N. Co. Kutsano, British str., 1,495, W. Hall Jackson,

IXth Det ,- Calcutta 27th Nov., and Singapore 8th Dec., General.- Jardine, Matheson MARIA TERFSA, Austrian steamer, 1,922, R. Deperis, 15th Dec.,-Trieste 18th Nov., and

Singapore 7th Dec., General.-D. Sassoon, Sons & Co. MEMNON, British steamer, 825, Dorff, 18th Dec., -Sandakan 13th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire. MICHAEL JEBSEN, German steamer, 710,

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hin 25th, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
PHRA NANG, British steamer, 1,021, W. H. Watton, 14th Dec.,-Bangkok 4th Dec. and Anghin 6th, Rice and General.-Yuen Fat Hong.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani. Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co. SHERARD OSBORN, British steamer, 876, C. O. Madge, 16th Dec.,—China Sea 14th Dec.,
Submarine Cable.—E. E. A. and C. T. Co. TAI-VICK, German steamer, 903, N. Emike, 18th Dec.,-Mojl 13th Dec., General .--

Meyer & Co. VELOX, German steamer, 636, Johannsen, 11th Dec.,-Canton 11th December, General,-Slemssen & Co. . VENETIA, British steamer, 1,600, T. F. Creery, 16th Dec.,—Yokohama 5th Dec., Mails and

General.—P. & O. S. N. Co. VORWAERTS, German steamer, 612, L. L. Möller, 18th Dec., -Cebu 13th Dec., Sugar. - Wieler

SAILING VESKELS. ADAM W. Spies, American bark, 1,171, Acting Captain, chief officer, 22nd Nov.,-New York 4th June, Oll,-Order. Aron, Norwegian bark, 634, A. Christensen, 22nd Nov.,—Singapore 16th Oct., Timber.

-Kwong Mow Tye. B. F. HUNT, American barque, 1,100, John Hanard, 24th Nov., New York 30th May, Keroseno Oil,-Order, COMET, German ship, 1,083, Kuppner, 21st Nov.,—Cardiff oth June, Conl.—Order.

DONNA BARTOLA, American schooner, 62, C. Blechert, 30th November,-Yap (Caroline Islands), 16th November, Beche-de-mer,-Siemssen & Co. ERLEGISTO, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examine-tion hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese

Customs. GOV. ROBER, American ship, 1,627, A. Nichols, 30th Nov.,-New York 7th July, Kerosine

JENNY, American schooner, 74, O. Thomas, 16th Dec .- Pe lew Island and Dec., General.-Wieler & Co.

NAN-SHUN-SHING, Chinese 3-m. schooner, 245, Loo Light Tong, 25th Sept.,—Touron 8th Sept., Wood.—Yong Kee. R. R. THOMAS, American ship, 1,333, P. B. Nichols, 6th Dec.,-New York 14th July, Kerosene Oil.-Jardine, Matheson & Co. SPINAWAY, British bark, 325, J. Garrick, 15th Dec.,—King Georges Sound (W.A.) 3rd Oct., Sapanwood.—Siemssen & Co.

VELOCITY, British bark, 491, R. Martin, 19th Dec. Honolulu 5th November, Ballast .-

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Faishan, British steamer, 2,260, W. J. Risby.—
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Kiang-kwan, Chinese steamer, 1,020, Knights. -C, M. S. N. Co. Pasig, Chinese steamer, 284, J. W. Stavers .-

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London,&c., via Sucz Cana	Pekin	P. & O. S. N. Co	Dec. 24th, at noon,
Marseilles, via SaigonNac	Melbourne	Messageries Maritimes	Dec. 30 h, at noon.
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Finne and Straits, &c	Maria Teresa	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	To-morrow, at noon,
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Yokohama; via Nag., dcc	Ancona	P. & O. S. N. Co	Dec. 25th, at daylight
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